

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, The state of South Dakota is the home of Elsie Miller, and we are richer because Elsie lives among us; and,

Whereas, Birthdays commemorate the first day of our lives, and we celebrate the birthdays of those we love, as we recognize the joys and sorrows we have shared, the strength we have gained from the obstacles and hardships we have conquered, and the small daily pleasures life offers; and,

Whereas, Elsie was born May 1, 1916, on a farmstead near Redfield, South Dakota, to Axel and Hilda Swanson, and in 1918, her family moved to the family farm near Frankfort, South Dakota, where Elsie was raised and graduated from Frankfort High School; and,

Whereas, Elsie married Norman Miller on October 10, 1940, and to this union they were blessed with 3 children, 11 grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren, and 4 great-great-grandchildren; and,

Whereas, At the age of 87, Elsie retired from her certified nurse's aide position at the nursing home where she worked for 35 ½ years; and,

Whereas, Elsie resides in Redfield and will observe her 100th Birthday with all the good wishes, fanfare, and celebration such a milestone warrants, as her family and friends gather to honor her and celebrate her life and the camaraderie of the day; and it is fitting and proper for the Governor to make note of this milestone in the life of a woman who has lived an exemplary life for all to emulate:

Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim May 1, 2016, as

ELSIE MILLER DAY

in South Dakota, and I join all her many family and friends in wishing her a happy birthday.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Fourteenth Day of April in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Sixteen.

Dennis Daugaard
Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

Shantel Krebs
Shantel Krebs, Secretary of State